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ATTENTION: EO/US

TRANSMITTAL LETTER
TO THE UNITED STATES ELECTED OFFICE (EO/US)
(ENTRY INTO THE U.S. NATIONAL PHASE UNDER CHAPTER II)

International Application No:	PCT/US00/22503
International Filing Date	August 16, 2000 (16 August 2000)
Priority Date Claimed:	August 17, 1999 (17 August 1999)
Title of Invention:	Business System
Applicants:	Sunil V. Thakur Zulfiqar N. Momin

Applicants herewith submit to the United States Elected Office (EO/US) the following items under 35 U.S.C. § 371:

1. This is an express request to immediately begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. § 371(f)).
2. The U.S. National Fee (35 U.S.C. § 371(c)(1)) and other fees (37 C.F.R. § 1.492) as indicated below. The fees are calculated on the basis of the number of claims pending following the entry of the claims included in the Preliminary Amendment submitted herewith.

FEES					
	Number		Number Extra	Rate	Fee
Total Claims:	37	-20 =	17	x \$9 =	\$153.00
Independent Claims:	8	-3 =	5	x \$42 =	\$210.00
National Fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.492(a)(1))					\$355.00
Total Filing Fee =					\$718.00

Included is a check in the amount of \$718.00. In the event of underpayment or overpayment for the filing of this application, please charge or credit deposit account no. 02-0383.

Applicants hereby assert status as a small entity under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.

3. A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. § 371(c)(2)) has been transmitted by the International Bureau. The date of mailing from the International Bureau was February 22, 2001. The International Application was filed with the United States Receiving Office. A copy of the International Application as filed is included herewith.

4. A translation of the International Application into the English language is not required as the application was filed in English.

5. A copy of the Response to Invitation to Correct Defects in International Application (filed October 12, 2000), which includes a set of replacement sheets for the drawings of the International Application, is included herewith.

6. A copy of the Response to the Written Opinion (filed August 15, 2001), which includes a set of amended claims made under Article 34, is included herewith.

7. A copy of the International Preliminary Examination Report is included herewith

8. International Publication No. WO 01/13307 A1, with an attached International Search Report, is included herewith.

9. A preliminary amendment is included herewith.

The above items are being transmitted before 30 months from any claimed priority date.

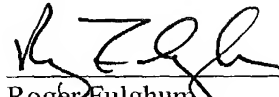
This application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application Serial No. 09/375,934, filed August 17, 1999, and titled "Business System", which is co-pending herewith and was pending at the time of the filing of this International Application on August 16, 2000.

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